

Application No. 10/663,108
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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-2 (cancelled).

3. (currently amended) A device for holding an item to be engraved comprising:

a tray adapted to be engaged by an engraving machine and comprising:

at least one recess;

~~The device set forth in claim 1, wherein~~ said recess is defined by a bottom surface and a side surface extending from said bottom surface; ~~and further comprising~~

a notch extending into said tray from said side surface;

said recess containing a mold;

said mold comprising a cavity adapted to hold an engraveable item and having an inner surface conforming to the shape of at least a portion of the outer surface of said engraveable item.

4. (currently amended) A device for holding an item to be engraved comprising:

a tray adapted to be engaged by an engraving machine and comprising:

first and second recesses;

~~The device set forth in claim 2, wherein~~ each of said recesses are defined by a bottom surface and a side surface extending from said bottom surface; ~~and further comprising~~

a notch extending between ~~the~~ said side surfaces of ~~at least two of~~ said recesses;

each of said recesses containing a mold;

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each of said molds comprising a cavity adapted to hold an engraveable item and having an inner surface conforming to the shape of at least a portion of the outer surface of said engraveable item.

5. (currently amended) A device for holding an item to be engraved comprising:

a tray adapted to be engaged by an engraving machine and comprising:

first and second recesses;

said recesses containing first and second molds, respectively; ~~The device set forth in claim~~

2, wherein

said first and second ~~multiple~~ molds having ~~multiple~~ first and second cavities, respectively;

and

each of said first and second cavities adapted to hold an engraveable item and having an inner surface conforming to the shape of at least a portion of the outer surface of said engraveable item;

wherein said respective inner surfaces of said first and second cavities are of a different shape.

6. (currently amended) A device for holding an item to be engraved comprising:

a tray adapted to be engaged by an engraving machine and comprising:

at least one recess;

said recess containing a mold;

said mold comprising a cavity adapted to hold an engraveable item and having an inner

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surface conforming to the shape of at least a portion of the outer surface of said engraveable item;

~~The device set forth in claim 1,~~ wherein said mold is vulcanized rubber.

7-9 (cancelled).